Served as Sgt. in Independent Co. of mounted men, commanded by Capt. John Irwin, attached to Gen. Floyd's Brigade from State of Ga. in War of 1812 & Britton
He volunteered @ Sanderville, Wash. Co., Ga. & was mustered in @ Milledgeville in Aug 1813 for term of 6 mo.

THE HAMBRICK HAMRICK FAMILY

Katie WAS AUNT of Gen. Wade Hampton of Civil War - HER SISTER'S SON?

Capt. John C. Harick was born on Marcy 24,1786, in Georgia. He was married to Katherine "Katie" Myers (b. March 18, ~~[illegible]~~ 92) on April 23, 1809, in Washington County, Georgia, and lived in Milledgeville, Ga.

John Hamrick was a military man. When the Creek and Seminole war broke out in Alabama, he raised a company of volunteers and joined Gen. Andrew Jackson. They defeated the Indians at Horshoe Bend and Emucfaw. They drove the few remaining Indians into Florida, then marched ovedland to New Orleans, where they fought the Battle of New Orleans in January, 1815. They defeated the British, killing the British Gen. Packenhan and two thousand men. Then they marched to Tennessee, cutting the road as they went. This road became known as the "Jackson Trail".

J.D. TOLSON, N.P. DEEN, Hays Rodgers appraisers ordered Sept 20, 1856 $11,154.25 included 16 slaves

Capt. Hanrick then went back to Milledgeville, Georgia, to join his family. He was at that time the father of Thomas age 5, Martha age 3, and 1st. John, age 1. They lived in Milledgeville until 1820 when he took his family and slaves and migrated to Alabama (Monroe County?).

1850 - Lived ~~[illegible]~~ S of P.S. RE worth $2000

Capt. Hamrick (they spelled the name Hambrick until after they came to Mississippi in 1836) father died before he was five, his first step-father died before he was nine and his second step-father by the time he was twelve.

The Hamricks settled in river bottom land in Alabama, which was great for growing cotton, but an unhealthy place to live. They lived there 16 yeaRS Capt. Hamrick accumalated quite a lot of money. He sold out in Alabama and came to Laudaerdale County, Miss. in 1836, where he lived until he died on September 1, 1856. He left a will which was probated in Lauderdale County.

We need to know wxactly where John C. Hamrick lived and where he was buried.

Children: Katherine died between 1876 and 1888

LIVED E. of King Road, near where Gunn Branch [illegible] crosses in Sec 23 or 24 of T 7, R 15 E

I. THOMAS JEFFERSON HAMRICK

Born: February 10,1810, Milledgeville. Died: Oct.30, 1881

Married: (1) Sinia Brown, Nov.23,1834, Monroe Co, Ala. She ~~believed to be~~ was dau. of John H. and Sarah Brown, and sis. of Arthur, John, Randolph and William. who all migrated from Monroe Co. to Lauderdale Co. (2) SABENA Phillips "SIBBY"

Jan 15, 1857 Sold G.W. Chandler 160 acres in S½ of Sec 16, Pine Spring & moved to (now) Collinsville across the Okatibbee

Moved with his father to Alabama when he was about 10 years old, where he grew up, probably in Monroe County. He and Sinia had been married over a year when his father moved to Lauderdale County, Mississippi to buy some of the Choctaw Indian lands from the Government in 1836. Their oldest child, Elmira, was born in Mississippi soon after their arrival. Sinai

Tom and Sinia had four sons and four daughters before Sinia died with or soon after the birth of their sixth child, James Hamrick, who was born in 1845. Thomas was married again in the winter of 1846 to a girl named Sabrina Phillips who was called Sibby. He and his second wife had six more children.

Ca. B. 1817 making [illegible] [illegible]

Thomas, the oldest of John C. Hamrick, lived in Pine Springs until his father died in 1856. He then bought a place on the west side of (now) Okatibbee Lake near the Hamrick Cemetery. He moved there in 1857 where he owned 640 acres. He had inherited about ~~fifteen~~ 3 slaves from his father and may have had a few of his own since he was then about 47 years old and had been in the county for 20 years. He had a large house used for travelers which was called "The Wayside Inn". He lived there until he died in 1881 at age 71 2/3, having lived there 24 years.

Children: (next page) All B. in Lauderdale Co.

Sept 26, 1857 Josiah Collins, adm. of John Trussell, dec. sold T.J. Hamrick 320 ACRES W½ SW¼ - Sec 25-8-14, SE¼ - Sec 26 ", NE¼ NE¼ - Sec 35 ", NW¼ NW¼ - Sec 36 Highest Bidder - $1117.50 Wayside Inn

CIRCUIT CT minutes Sept 11, 1846 St. VS Thomas HAMRICK CHARGE: ASSULT & Battery: witt for defendant: Sherrod Alford Lee Perry acquitted.

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1. ELMIRA HAMRICK
Born: Feb.14,1836 (1830-1911) Died:
1851 Married: Joseph L. Houston, son of Gen Sam Houston on Tennessee & Texas.
One day when Elmira was only 15 years old a nice looking man rode up on the most beautiful horse anyone could imagine. It probably was a Tenn. Walking Horse and it had a gorgeous hand-tooled Mexican saddle and bridle on it. The bridle was covered with silver medallions the size of quarters. ~~He said he was looking for descendants of John C. Hamrick and that his name~~ was Joseph L. Houston, and he had ridden all the way from Texas.
It is not known if he stayed in the Hamrick home or not, but he probably did, at first, anyway. This man with the gorgeous horse, married Elmira before her 16th birthday! It was a surprise to everyone but them. Someone had helped Elmira "visit away from home" so that the marriage could take place. They made their home near Collinsville where they had 19 children! (Included 2 sets of twins) The name of one has been lost.

IN 1858 Joe Houston owned 40 acres in 12-7-15
1870 - CONSTABLE, Beat 3

Children:

A. Columbus Houston 1852-____, (Died in teens?)
B. Margaret F. "Maggie" Houston 1854-1940, m. (1)____Williamson (2) James R. Snowden in 1887. He was son of James W. and Martha Snowden, who was 2nd son of early settler to Lauderdale Co, James Snowden of SC. q.v. James R. and Maggie are both bur. Collinsville Meth Ch. cem. Had 10 kids.
HAD 1 SON EVERETT WM. WILLIAMSON
all d. young except 3 1. DULUTH 2. CURTIS 3 GRADY
Bedman
Duluth Snowden's mom
C. John Oliver Houston 1856-18__, m. (1)Ida Jones, ca1880-82, who had 3 children before she died. He then m. (2)Mary Florence Jones, Ida's sister around 1889-90. The Jones sisters were daughters of Rev. Aaron and Eliz. (Terry) Jones of Ga., who had come to Pine Springs in 1850's.
John and his 2nd wife had a little daughter and were living in Pine Springs (old Jones home) when John was killed by a black man with an ax. The neighbors (Klansmen?) tooke the negro to "The hanging Tree" in Pine Springs and hung him. This is believed to have happened around 1892. John was buried at the old Poplar Springs Church Cemetery in Pine Springs. (No headstone.) Mary Florence then m. Joe Wells.
Children: (Three from 1st wife, One from second.)
a. William "Willie" Houston
b. Sidney Houston
c. Gracie Houston m. _____Wells, son of Joe Wells, her step-father.
d. Mable Houston m. Welba (Wellborn?) Ford, lived at Batesville,Ms.

17 ? Benjamin
18 ? Rose
19 Bud?

D. Sinai/Siniue Houston (Twin) 1858-____, m. ______Hudson
E. Sabrina "Sibby" Houston (Twin) 1858-1942, m. John Wesley Gibson.(1854-1924)
Children:
a. Cam Gibson
b. Walter Gibson
c. Samuel Gibson
d. Fred Gibson
e. Tommy Gibson
f. Velma Gibson
F. Willis Houston 1861(?) (Died young.)
G. Josephine Houston 1863-1864, 1 yr.
H. Mollie Houston 1864-1864, Infant.
I. Thomas Jefferson Houston 1865-____, m. Susie Collins.(It is possible that this was Susie Collins,b.1871, who was oldest dau. of James Madison Collins of Pine Springs who became Meridian Policeman. Collins Family,qv) This Houston, a M.D., lived in MEridian and was called "Dr. Tom".
Children:
a. Wilburn Collins Houston (I)
b. Mark Houston
c. Carmen Houston.

7 DELLA HOUSTON 1867-1950 m. Amos Tully Ethridge (B.1866-1949)
~~Duke~~ [illegible]

"Della"

J. MARY ARDELLA HOUSTON 1867-1950, m. Amos Tully Ethridge, bro. of "Mack" (1866-1949)
Children:
2 a. Ethel Ethridge — 3 d. Bee Ethridge (Twin)
5 b. Sims Ethridge — 4 e. Bert Ethridge (Twin)
1 c. Luke Ethridge (Luke) — 6 f. Inell Ethridge

K. JOSEPH LUTHER HOUSTON,JR. 1869-1957, m. Minnie Wellborn, Dec.24,1889. She was youngest dau. of Dr. David Mercer and Esther Pamela (Powell) Wellborn who had come to Lauderdale Co. from Early Co. Ga. in 1871. They lived on their farm in Collinsville, Both bur. Collinsville Meth. Church
Children:
a. Cecil M. Houston 1891-197_, m. Tom Covington, had 8 sons. Taught school at Pine Springs in early 1900's.
b. Gambretta 1893-1893, Infant.
c. Jesse 1896-197_, m. (1)Irene Ishee (2)Ardell Moore
d. Allie 1897-____, m. Tom McDonald.
e. Ila May 1899-1984, m. Elton T. Clark.
f. Joe Benjamin 19__-19__, m. Earline Ishee
g. Alton Houston 19__-19__, m. Mrs.Winnie Mae Tucker
h. Oleta Houston 1912-1960, m. Omar Herrington

L. IDA HOUSTON 1872-1957, m. William Lee Walker (1868-1946) Both Bur. Collinsville Meth.
Children:
a. Marks Walker — e. Ellis Walker
b. Eulas Walker — f. W.L.Walker,Jr.
c. Ray Walker — g. Others-
d. Madge Walker

M. LILLIE BELLE HOUSTON 1874-1957, m. Walter Raymond Walker (1871-1937), brother of Will.
Children:
a. Blannie Walker — e. Clyde Walker
b. X.L.Walker — f. Inez Walker
c. Stanton Walker — g. G. W. Walker
d. Legette Walker — h. Raymond

N. ANNIE HOUSTON 1875-1886, d. about 11 yrs old.
O. PAUL HOUSTON (Twin) 1877, Did not marry. d. 1959
P. CLAUDE HOUSTON (Twin) 1877-1945 did not marry. Collinsville

2. JOHN B. HAMRICK
Born: March 12, 1837,Laud. Co. Died: Oct 16, 1857, Bur Hamrick Cem, Collinsville
Married: Mary Elizabeth Harwell (1841-1926), March 11, 1858
Children:

1892 Tax Rolls S½NE¼, SE¼ 35-8-14, 240A SWNW¼, NWSW¼, pt. SWSW¼ 36-8-14, 80A (320 acres)

A. SARAH ELIZABETH HAMRICK 186_, m Charles Clinton "Charley" Carpenter,Jan.24, 1883, son of Rice Benjamin and Mary Ann (Rodgers) of Pine Springs.
Children: (All bur. Hamrick Cem, Collinsville.)
a. John Rice "Ricy" Carpenter 1885-1963, m. Lillie Anderson.
b. Thomas Irvin Carpenter 1886-1925, m. Elizabeth Adeline Anderson
c. Ada Lula Carpenter 1883-1963, died at 11 months.

B. SAPHRONIA "FRONIE" HAMRICK m. _____Pruitt, no children. Reared Willie Mae, her sister's child.

C. KATHERINE "KATE" HAMRICK 1864-1933 m. Augie Clark (THOS. OGGIE CLARK (1861-1949)
Children:
a. Marvin Edwin Clark 1898-1898 — c. William Clark
b. Elton Clark — d. Earline Clark

D. NETTIE HAMRICK 1867-1903, m. George Washington Weatherford, 1892. He was son of William Gustavus "Dock" and Rose Ann (Kittrell) Weatherford. George and his father operated a sawmill and Gen. Store at Pine Springs.

Nettie had one baby when she died in 1903. George then married her sister, Maggie. They had children, but we do not know their names. The Weatherfords moved to Illinois where it is said thay have many descendants.

E. AVA HAMRICK m. Hillard Gibson

F. ELLA HAMRICK m. Thomas Gibson
Children:
a. Ruby Gibson
~~b. Kline Gibson~~
c. Joe Alton Gibson
d. Heber Gibson
~~e. Norman Gibson~~
f. Melba Gibson

G. TOM HAMRICK m.Carrie Clark, sis. of "Sugie" who m. Tom's sis, Kate. He was the only son. Had no children.

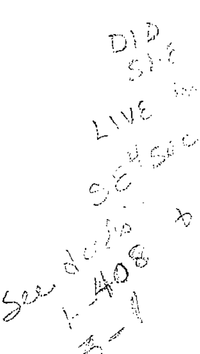
H. MAGGIE HAMRICK m. G. W. Weatherford, her sister Nettie's widower. (See #D)

I. ANNIE HAMRICK 1878-1964 m. Robert F. "Bob" Moore, (1878-1953) 1906, Laud. Co.
Children: (2 sons)
a. Melville Moore m. Vera Moore
b. Malcolm Moore m. Mary Lucille Jolly.

J. JOHNNIE HAMRICK m. James "Jim" Tucker. Had one child when Johnnie died. Her sister, Saphronia, raised Johnnie's little girl.
Children:
a. Winnie Mae Tucker.

K. MATTIE HAMRICK m. Rhodes Gibson
Children:
a. Edward Gibson
b. Taze Gibson

3. MARGARET HAMRICK martha?
Born: Aug.28,1839,Laud. Co. Died: 1887, Collinsville.
Married: Jacob Wells 1858, Feb. 18, Laud Co
Jacob was killed in the Civil War in a skirmish in serv. 5 mo d. c at Iuka, Mississippi, in 1862 leaving Margaret with three little children. She went back to live with her father and step-mother and never married again. She died at age 52 while living with her only surviving child (Mittie).
Children:



A. MARY ELLIS WELLS (called Ellis)1860-1879, m. James W. Moore. She died the day following the birth of her first and only child. Her mother and jer younger sister moved in with the young father to take care of Ellis' little baby, Mary Ellis.
Children:
a. Mary Ellis Moore 1879-1904, (Called Daisy) m. Tom Johnson Nov.29,1899 (1861-1931) She Had 2 dau then died

B. MITTIE WELLS 1861-1947(?), m. Joseph McCullough "Mack" Ethridge.June 3,1886. Mittie taught school until she married at age 25. Mack bought and sold houses, operated a store at various times, built roads by contract once, taught school a few terms but didn't like it. He was a county supervisor at the time the courthouse was built; his name on cornerstone of present building. Was confined to wheel chair five years at age 69 following a stroke. Mittie lived to be 96½ years old.
Children:

C. ~~MARGARET~~ ~~EL~~ELIZABETH "BETTY" WELLS 1859-1888, m. Thomas Gibson (b1857).
@ 26- Died of Typhoid Fever. No children. Bur. Hamrick Cem, Collinsville.

4. THOMAS HAMRICK
Born; 1842 Died: Was killed in Civil War.

5. JOSEPH HAMRICK
Born; 1843 Died: Was killed in Civil War.

6. JAMES MADISON HAMRICK
Born: March 24,1845,Miss. Died: Oct.23,1929 (1933),bur.Pleasant Ridge Cem. (Collinsville)
Married: Clementine Williamson (b1852) ~~on Oct.26,1862~~. She was dau of Allen Monroe and Mary K. (Poole) Williamson. Was listed in 1870 and 1880 L.C.census.
Children:

1892 Tax Roll 160 W2 SE4, E2 SW4 20-8-14

A. Minnie Alma Hamrick 1871-1937,m. John Wesley Beeman(1864-1933)son of James Ivy Beeman.
B. Joseph Thomas Hamrick 1873-1907, m. Sarah "Sallie" Frances (1876-1903) Hand,1896. She was dau of Hilliard Winfield and Rebecca Jane (Vance) Hand. Had 3 sons. ~~Thomas was a MD, practiced in Meridian, called "Dr. Tom".~~ Died ē Pneumonia
C. John "Ollie" Hamrick 1876-1900, Died @ 24 with Typhoid Fever.
D. Benjamin F. Hamrick 1877-1900, Died @ 23 with Typhoid Fever.
E. Clementine T. Hamrick 1880-1900, Died @ 20 with Typhoid Fever.
F. Rev. William Lee Hamrick 1886-1965. m. Mittie May Strange(1880-1964). Sister of Gill and Ernest Strange. A Methodist minister, Wm. L. Hamrick wrote a book, The Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. 1929-1939, pub. 1957. From pg. 64: "The writer's father, James Madison Hamrick and four uncles were soldiers in the Confederate Army. Three of his uncles fell on bloody battlefields of Shiloh, Chancellorsville, and the Wilderness. His father and his mother (a 10 yr. old girl at the time of Sherman's 'scorched earth' march through Mississippi) often retold their stories of the destruction, sorrow, and poverty."
G. Maude "Mollie" Hamrick 1888-1968, m. Ereginal Gilmore Strange (1876-1970), 1906 - Both Bur Pleasant Ridge Cem. Bro of Mittie May. 6 Children

7. MARY ALE(?) HAMRICK
Born: 1848,Miss. Died:
May have died young.

8. MARY C. HAMRICK
Born: 1850 Died:
Married: Rev. ____Rayner

9. VIRGIL S. HAMRICK
Born: 1852,Miss. Died:
Married: (?)
Was a policeman in Hattiesburg, Miss. Owned land in secs. 25, 26, 35, 36 of T-8, R-14E in 1892 -

10. ALICE HAMRICK
Born: 1855,Miss Died:
Married: ______Black

11. NELLIE HAMRICK
Born: Died:
Married: (?)

12. BURWELL HAMRICK
Born: Died:
Married: (?)

(See Brown fam. # 2.)
(He /son John H. & Sarah Brown,came to co. 1836.

II. MARTHA HAMRICK
Born: Dec.11,1811, Georgia   Died:
Married: William Brown (b1807,Ga) on Dec.25,1828 in Alabama (Probably Monroe Co.)
Came to Lauderdale Co. with her husband around 1834-35,some of first settlers to arrive. Bought land for her father, John C. Hamrick, who came in the fall of 1836. William & Martha sold her father his land in Sections 23 & 24 of T-7, ~~Range 15E (between Pine Springs and Meridian just east of King Road) in 1836~~ and bought land near present-day Pine Forest Academy (Seventh Day Adventists) near Chunky, in western part of Lauderdale County.

William died of dysentery in 1853, at age 46, leaving Martha with ten children, most of whom were minors. The Brown estate was valued at $9000 when William died.

Martha reared her children alone and did not marry again.

Children: (For more info. see Brown fam. # 2.)(this Book)

1. JOHN H. BROWN (II) 1831-196_, m. Louisa _______(b1834Ms)
   Was in Co.H,1st Miss.Calvary in Civil War.
2. SARAH JANE BROWN 1832Al-____, m. John Warren ca1849,Ms.
3. CATHERINE BROWN 1834Al-____, m. John Deer between 1851-1855.
4. WILLIAM LAFFAYETTE BROWN 1836Ms-1889, m. Sarah Ann Dollar,1853,Laud. Co,Ms.
5. MARTHA G. BROWN 1839-1880, m. John A. Vaughn.
6. ALMIRA BROWN 1842-____, was 11 when her father died.
7. EMMALINE BROWN 1843-____, was 10 when her father died.
8. MARGARET BROWN 1847-____, was 6 when her father died.
9. FRANCES BROWN 1850-____, was 3 when her father died.
10. DOROTHY BROWN 1853-____, was born the year her father died.

III. JOHN HAMRICK
Born: Nov.5,1813,Georgia   Died: Apr.26,1822
Brought to Monroe Co, Ala. when he was two, died when he was 8½ yrs old.

IV. JAMES HAMRICK
Born: March 19,1817, Alabama.   Died: (Isney, Ala.?)
Married: ____________
Was listed in 1840 Lauderdale Co, Miss. census with wife and two dau. under five.
Lived in Isney, Alabama.
Children: (Has descendants in Mobile and Meridian.
1. James K., Jr. 1848
2. Amanda F. 1846

Circuit Court Spec. Term, July, 1849
St. vs. Paschal Walker + Lawson Gunn
[illegible] Bail [illegible]

V. ELMIRA HAMRICK
Born: April 13,1819,Alabama   Died: Jan.5,1847,
Married: Lawson Gunn   , who was likely the son of John Gunn (wife,Margaret?) who came to Lauderdale County in 1835 and bought land in Section 2, Township 5, Range 18E, NE of Whynot near state line.

Elmira died three days following the birth of her only child in January,1847. The following August Lawson Gunn showed up in Pine Springs where he bought SW¼ of NE quarter of Sec. 16 from Julius Alford. (Leased). In 1848 Lawson bought another 40 (NE¼ of SE quarter) in same section from William and Mary Wootan (McWootan?) That same year Lawson and Susan Jane Gunn sold the 80 acres(2-40's) in Pine Springs to Lee Perry (1848). Had he married again? It is not known where he went after he left Pine Springs. He was [illegible] in Co. in July 1849 - see [illegible]

When Capt. John C. Hamrick wrote his will in 1855 he left Elmira's daughter a slave girl, Chaney, and $300 to be given her when she married.

Lawson Gunn enlisted in the CSA for the Civil War in Choctaw Co, Ala. in 1862, so perhaps he moved back to Alabama. He was living in Spinks, Ms. in 1901.

Children:
1. Catherine E. Gunn b.Jan.2,1847-   m. (?)

Sept. Term 1849
Lawson did not [illegible] forfeited Bail Walker [illegible] guilty

March 1850
Lawson to [illegible] plead not guilty
[illegible]
Jury [illegible]

VI. EMMALINE HAMRICK
Born: Nov.9, 1822, Monroe Co, Ala Died: (After 1880)
Married: Willis Hamrick, Jan.15,1842, Lauderdale Co. He was her cousin, the son of Capt. John C. Hamrick's brother, James Hamrick, who had settled in Clark Co, Mississippi.
Willis and Emmaline reared their family in Clark Co., were listed there 1880 cen.

Emmaline's mom, Katherine Myers Hamrick, lived with Emmaline some of her 20 yrs. of widowhood following John C.'s death. Emmaline tried to help her mom get 160 ac. bounty land due her from John C.'s military service.

Children:
1. Frances Hamrick 1842-
2. James Hamrick 1844-
3. Katherine Hamrick 1845-
4. Elizabeth Hamrick 1846-
5. Martha Hamrick 1848-
6. Mary Hamrick 1855- m. ____ Moore. Mary and daughters lived with her pa in 1880.
   Children: A. Nettie Moore 1874-
   B. Willie Ann Moore 1876
7. T.J. (Thomas Jefferson??) Hamrick 1857-
8. Susan Hamrick 1860-
9. Emeline Hamrick 1863-
10. Willis Hamrick, Jr. 1865-
11. Charles Hamrick 1867-

VII. KATHERINE HAMARICK
Born: June 28,1825, Monroe Co, Ala Died:
Married: ________ Hamrick, possibly a brother of Willis (above).
Some think that Katherine died after she had been married about two years.

VIII. JOHN MYERS HAMRICK
Born: July 30, 1827, Monroe Co, Ala. Died:
Married: ____________
Was 2nd son of John C. Hamrick to be named John. (The first John died at 8½ yrs.)
Had descendants who settled in western Alabama and near Waynesboro, Wayne Co, Ms.
Children: (Unknown.)

IX. BURREL J. HAMRICK (Burrel in Fam Bible; Burwell on other Records)
Born: Aug.28,1833, Monroe Co, Ala. Died:
Married: Amanda Dear, November 20,1851. She was grand-daughter of James Hamrick of Clark Co., Ms, the dau of Rachel Hamrick Dear of Clark County.
Descendants lived around Hickory in Newton Co, Miss.
Children: (Names unknown. Two descendants were merchants in Houston, Texas.)

Thomas Jefferson Hamrick b. 1810 - d. 1881

We begin our story with "Grandpa" Hamrick - the one who started the cemetery between Collinsville and Lake Okatibbee. He came here with a new wife and his father, mother, brothers and sisters, in time for his first child to be born in Lauderdale County on February 14, 1836.

"Grandpa" Hamrick was the oldest child of nine listed in his parents family Bible. His name was Thomas Jefferson and he was born on February 10, 1810, in Georgia. His tombstone reads February 14th, but since his first child, Elmira, was born on February 14th, they probably celebrated together and descendants who bought the stone thought February 14th was correct.

"Grandpa" Hamrick was enumerated next door to his father, John C. Hamrick, in 1850, and this was probably on the "Bozeman Place" on Pine Springs Road. No. 27 was off King Road East of the Bozeman place

After John C. died on September 1, 1856, at age 71½, Grandpa Hamrick (T.J.) bought a place across the road from Mitt and Rod Hitt's house near the Hamrick Cemetery. This was a large house used for travelers and called "Wayside Inn". They moved there in 1857 and he owned 640 acres at that location. He had inherited about ~~fifteen~~ 3 slaves from his father and may have had a few of his own since he was about 47 years old and had been in Lauderdale County for 20 years. He died on October 30, 1881, at age 71-2/3, having lived at this last place 24 years.

Grandpa Hamrick (Thomas Jefferson) who was born in Georgia, moved with his family to Alabama when he was about 10 years old. He first married Cinia/Sinia Brown in Monroe County, Alabama, on November 23, 1834. The name is spelled HAMBRICK on the Monroe County records.

Thomas Jefferson Hamrick was 25 when he married the first time and Sinia was _____. They had 6 children: Elmira b. February 14, 1836; John B. b. March 12, 1837; Margaret b. August 28, 1839; Thomas b. ca. 1842; Joseph b. ca. 1843; and James (Jim) b. March 24, 1845.

Tex joined USA in 1849 - Sam Houston was Rep. 1846-59
Joseph came to Miss in 1851

"Sinie" must have died when James (Jim) was born or when he was small as Grandpa Hamrick (T.J.) married his second wife during the "winter of 1846". This could have been in January or February of 1846 - Jim could have been as young as 10 months when he married again. This time he married Sabrina "Sibby" Phillips b. ca. 1817 in Maringo County, Alabama. She must have been 29 or 30 years old at that time. To this union was born 6 children: Mary b. ca. 1848 and who must have died before the 1860 census; Mary C., called Molly, b. ca. 1850; Virgil b. ca. 1852; Alice b. ca. 1855; Nellie and Burwell. The last two were born after the census, but my mother never heard of them and thinks they must have died young. The 3 children who grew up here all married and moved away and have no descendants with whom we are familiar. We'll just study the six children by the first wife, but we must give the second wife full credit for bringing up the first set. The children could have been no older than one, three, four, six, eight and ten when "Sibby" took on the task of being their mother and then giving birth to six of her own.

Of the first six children of Grandpa Hamrick, Elmira was the oldest and the first to marry. She also lived to be the oldest (86) and to bear the most children (17).

One day when Elmira was only 15 years old a nice looking man rode up on the most beautiful horse anyone could imagine. It probably was a Tennessee Walking Horse and it had a gorgeous (yes, gorgeous!) saddle and bridle on it. The bridle was covered with silver decorations the size of quarters. It must have looked like ones we see in the Rose Bowl Parade on New Year's Day! He said he was looking for descendants of John C. Hamrick and that his name was Joseph L. Houston, and he had ridden all the way from Texas.

I do not know if he stayed with Grandpa Hamrick or not but he probably stayed there at first. My grandmother, Mittie Ethridge, who lived with Grandpa Hamrick (T.J.) from the time she was 1½ till he died when she was 20, told us this. Anyway, this man with the gorgeous horse, married Elmira before her 16th birthday! It was a surprise to everyone but them and I was told that someone helped her "visit away from home" so that the marriage could take place.

Although the brothers and sisters of Elmira were born at two year intervals, it was almost seven years before the next two got brave enough to marry: Margaret, 18½ married on February 18, 1858, and John (between Elmira and Margaret) married in less than a month on March 11, 1858. He was 21 years old and married Mary Elizabeth Harwell. Margaret married Jacob Wells, who lived nearby.

Thomas and Joseph, the next children in line, lost their lives in the Civil War, unmarried. James "Jim", the youngest of the 1st set, married on October 26, 1886, at age 23. His wife was Clementine Williamson and called "Aunt Tiny". All the "Hamricks" by Grandpa's first wife come through this son.

Now we'll list the children of Grandpa's four children who could marry and have a family:

I. ELMIRA - on the 1900 census indicated that she had given birth to 17 live children. We can only name 16.

1. Columbus b. 1852 (or early 1853) was on 1870 census as 17 years old (died in teens?)
2. Margaret (Maggie) b. 1854, married a Williamson and then a Snowden. Grandmother of Lamar, Margaret, James Martin, Norman, Bernice, Charlotte Snowden and others.
3. John Oliver b. 1856 married Ida Jones
4. Sinai/Sinie b. December 20, 1858 married a Hudson. (Twins)
5. Sabrina/Sibby b. December 20, 1858 married John Wesley Gibson. Mother of Cam, Walter, Sam, Fred, Tommy, and Velma - Grandmother of Cameron, Walterine, Francis, Edzel G., Lloyd Freeman and others.
6. Willis b. ca. 1861
7. Josephine b. ca. 1863 d. 1864
8. Mollie b. ca. 1864 d. 1864
9. Thomas Jefferson b. 1865 married Susie Collins was "Dr. Tom" of Meridian. He had 2 boys and 1 girl: Wilburn Collins Houston I, Mark and Carmen.
10. Mary Ardella b. 1867 Married Tully Ethridge, brother to my grandfather "Mack" Ethridge who married Mittie Wells. Mittie was the daughter of Margaret who was a sister to Elmira. "Aunt Della" was mother of Ethel, Sims, Luke, Bee & Bert (twins) and Inell.

11. Joseph Luther, Jr. b. September 2, 1869 married Minnie Wellborn on Dec. 24, 1889 and they were parents of Cecil (f), Jesse, Allie, Ila, Joe B., Alton and Oleta. They are grandparents of Dan, Fay, Aaron, Max, Joyce, Gayle, etc., and great grandparents of Chantel and Tori in our church.
12. Ida b. 1872 married William Lee Walker and some of their children are Marks, Eulus, Ray, Madge, Ellis, and W. L. Jr.
13. Lillie Bell b. 1873 married Walter Walker - brother to Will Walker above. Their children are Blannie, X. L. , Stanton, Legette, Clyde, Inez, and G. W.
14. Annie b. 1875 died 1886 (about 11 years old)

Twins
15. Paul b. 1877 -- unmarried
16. Claude b. 1877 - unmarried

II. <u>JOHN</u>, who <u>could</u> hand down the Hamrick name was the father of at least eleven children but only <u>one</u> <u>son</u>. This son, Tom, named for Grandpa Hamrick, never had a child to live.

1. Elizabeth married a Carpenter and had 3 children, Ada, John and Irvin. Her husband died young and she and the children went back to live with her parents. Ada is mother of Ardele, Robbye Rea, Irvadean, Sadye, Christine, Myra and Charles Moore.
2. Saphronia, "Aunt Fronie", married a Prewitt - no children, but she reared Winnie Mae (her sister's child).
3. Katherine "Kate" married Augie Clark. They were parents of Marvin, Elton, William and Earline.
4. Nettie married G. W. Weatherford.
5. Ava married Hillard Gibson ($\frac{1}{2}$ brother to my Grandfather Ethridge).
6. Ella married Thomas Gibson ($\frac{1}{2}$ brother to my Grandfather Ethridge and the widower of my Grandmother's sister, Bettie, who died at age 26). Aunt Ella was the mother of Ruby, Kline, Joe Alton, Heber, Norman and Melba.
7. Tom (only son) married Carrie Clark sister of "Augie" who married Tom's sister Katherine #3 above. They had no children.
8. Maggie married a Weatherford. She married sister Nettie's widower and became the step-mother of Nettie's infant.
9. Annie married Bob Moore, had 2 boys- Melville who married Vera Moore and Malcolm who married Mary Lucille Jolly. They are grandparents of Barry and Carolyn, and Great grandparents of Monica, Ashley and Scott.

10. Johnnie married Jim Tucker and had Winnie Mae. When her mother died Aunt Fronie took her.

11. Mattie married Rhodes Gibson. Their children are Edward and Taze.

III. Margaret married Jacob Wells and had Mary Ellis, Mittie (my grandmother), and Bettie. Jacob (26) was killed in the Civil War (Skirmish at Iuka, MS), and left Margaret at 23 with 3 little girls - ages 5 weeks, 19 months, and 3 years+2 months. She went back to live with her father and step-mother and never married again. She died at age 52½ while living with her only surviving child (my grandmother).

1. Mary Ellis (Called Ellis) married at age 18½ on February 3, 1878, to James W. Moore age 33½. Twenty-two months later on Dec. 3, 1879, a daughter was born to them and named for her mother, "Mary Ellis", who died the next day. This child was called "Daisy". Margaret (the mother-in-law), and Mittie, age 19, (sister-in-law), lived with James W. Moore to take care of the new baby. Margaret's other child, Bettie, married 7 weeks later so all four left Grandpa Hamrick's place. He would only live 22 more months.

2. Mittie taught school - sonetimes 2 terms a year because most schools only lasted four months. Also, parents were real anxious to locate a teacher who would live nearby and teach their children. Mittie vowed not to marry young and not to marry unless her husband promised to be good to her mother. She was married at 25 on June 3, 1886 (6½ years after her younger sister, Bettie, was married), to Joseph McCullough Ethridge, 24½ years old. Mittie lived to be 96½ years old. She often said she wished she could have given some of her years to her two sisters who died at ages 20 and 26.

Grandpa Mack bought and sold houses, had a store at several different times, built roads by contract at one time, taught school a few terms but didn't like it, and was supervisor at the time the courthouse was built. His name is on the cornerstone of the present building. He died at age 69 after being confined to a wheel chair for five years following a stroke.

Captain John C. Hamrick b. March 24, 1786 - d. Sept. 1, 1856 (age 70½)

(This is the father of our Thomas Jefferson Hamrick)

Captain John C. Hamrick was born on March 24, 1786, in Georgia. He was married to Katherine "Katie" Myers (b. March 18, 1790 or 92), on April 23, 1809, in Washington County, Georgia, and lived in Milledgeville, Ga. To this union was born four sons and four daughters:

1. Thomas Jefferson married Sinia Brown in Monroe County, Alabama, on Nov. 23, 1834, and lived in Lauderdale County, MS. from 1836 (just before 1st child was born), until he died on October 30, 1881 (71½ years old).
2. Martha born Dec. 11, 1811, married William (Bill) Brown and lived out from Wanita. She married on Dec. 25, 1828 (age 17) in Alabama. Richard S. Lackey, who edited the Mississippi Genealogical Exchange in Forest, MS. descended through Martha. Richard died suddenly on January 16, 1983, at age 42 in Washington, D.C. Mac and I heard him speak in October, 1982, at Meridian Public Library. Rose Houston went to one of his workshops in Texas and discovered he descends through Martha. He was a professional genealogist, and had written the books, How to Search and Citing Your Sources.
3. John b. Nov. 5, 1813 - d. April 26, 1822 (8½ years old)
4. James b. March 19, 1817 lived in Isney, Alabama. His descendants are in Mobile and Meridian.
5. Elmira b. April 13, 1819, married Lawson Gunn whose descendants settled near Meridian. In the late John C. Hamrick Bible, it is stated that Catherine E. Gunn was born the 2nd of January, 1847. Beneath that entry reads, "The deceased mother of the above departed this life the 5th of January, 1847." If so, Elmira Hamrick Gunn died at age 27 years and 8½ months. Unless she married late, this would not have been her only child.
6. Emmaline b. Nov. 9, 1822, married Willie Hamrick (son of James Hamrick of Clark County and her first cousin). They settled near Enterprise. John C.'s widow, Katherine Myers, must have lived with Emmaline during some of her more than 20 years of widowhood as S. A. Kidd in Clark County tried to assist Emmaline in obtaining bounty land (160 acres) due her mother.
7. Katherine b. June 28, 1825, married a Hamrick (I think one of James' sons also.) Grandmother Ethridge wrote that she died after about 2 years of marriage. This may be so, (probably is) but I wonder if she confused her with Elmira who died.

(8.) John Myers b. July 30, 1827 (Yes, here is another son named John. First one died 5 years before this one was born.) His descendants settled near Waynesboro in Wayne County, Ms. and the western part of Alabama.

(9.) Berril (in Bible), Burwell, Burell, Burrell, etc., b. August 28, 1833 after a 5 year skip. Named for John C.'s baby brother who was an infant when his father died and then he lost 2 stepfathers before being taken by oldest brother Joseph in Georgia. Every Hamrick had a Burwell. His descendants are around Hickory (Newton County), MS. Two were merchants in Houston, Texas. Burwell Hamrick was married to Amanda Dear on Nov. 20, 1851. He was 18 years old. She was the daughter of Rachel (Hamrick) Dear who was the daughter of James Hamrick of Clark County, MS. (John C.'s youngest son married brother James' granddaughter.)

John C. Hamrick was a military man. When the Creek and Seminole war broke out in Alabama, he raised a company of volunteers and joined General Andrew Jackson. They defeated the Indians at Horseshoe Bend and Emucfaw. They drove the few remaining ones into Florida, then marched over land to New Orleans, where they fought the Battle of New Orleans in January, 1815. They defeated the British, killing General Packenhan and two thousand men. Then they marched to Tennessee cutting the road as they went. The road became known as the "Jackson Trail."

Captain Hamrick then went back to Milledgeville, Georgia, to join his family. He was at that time the father of Thomas (ours) age 5, Martha age 3, and 1st John age 1. They lived in Milledgeville until 1820 when he took his family and slaves and migrated to Alabama. (My grandmother, Mittie Wells Ethridge, wrote this in a notebook and she said "He inherited a large number of slaves". All this history was told to her by her Grandpa Hamrick about his father who was Mittie's great-grandfather.) His slaves were probably bought by his hard earned money as his father died before he was five, his first step-father before he was nine and his second step-father by the time he was twelve.

To continue, they settled in river bottom land which proved to be unhealthy and then they moved to Mississippi. According to the figures, they lived in Alabama 16 years and came to Lauderdale County, MS. in 1836, where he lived until he died on September 1, 1856 (20 years in Mississippi).

We need to know exactly where he lived and where he was buried.

Grandmother Ethridge also wrote that John C. Hamrick's wife, Katherine Myers, was the aunt of General Wade Hampton of Civil War fame. Was he her sister's son?

Names of Grandpa Hamrick's First Six Children

Grandpa Hamrick and his first wife, Sinia Brown Hamrick, named their first child Elmira for Grandpa's sister who married Lawson Gunn and in the family Bible it reads, "Catherine E. Gunn was born the second of January, 1847." An entry below states, "The deceased mother of the above departed this life the fifth of January, 1847". That would have been Elmira.

Grandpa Hamrick named his second child John for his father and probably for his brother three years younger than himself who died at age $8\frac{1}{2}$. (5 years after this John died John C. and Katherine Hamrick had another son whom they also named John).

The third child was named Margaret. Maybe Grandma Sinia had a loved one by that name.

They named the fourth child Thomas (Tom) for Grandpa, Thomas Jefferson Hamrick.

The fifth child was named Joseph for John C.'s oldest brother. The five brothers were orphaned at an early age and Joseph was instrumental in getting the boys together after they were "bound out" to different families to work.

They named their sixth child James for another one of JohnC.'s brothers and one of Thomas Jefferson's brothers. James "Jim" must have been born in 1845 as he was five years old on the 1850 census. Grandma Sinia must have died in childbirth or soon after as Grandpa Hamrick married again in the "winter of 1846". James was 1; Joseph 3; Thomas 4; Margaret 6; John 8; and Elmira 10 when he remarried.

The second wife,Sabrina (Sibby),must have been good to take on the motherhood of six children, all under 11 years of age.

Grandpa was 25 when he married the first time; he was 36 the second time and his second wife was 29.

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Date	Names of parties	Consent	Security	Returns of Licen[ses]
1834. Nov 18th	Thomas Hambrick to Miss Cinai Brown	Consent	Weiley Mosley	I do hereby certify th[at] I celebrated the right of Matrimony between Thos Hambrick & Cin[ai] Brown the 23d Novr 18[34] J McWootan [illegible]
Decr 8th	John Gilliard. to Miss Caroline R Gordon	Consent	C. T. McCormico.	I hereby certify that I solemnized the rite of [mar]riage between the abo[ve] named parties on the [illegible] day of December 1834.

Wedding Record of Thomas Hambrick and Cinai Brown,
Married "ov. 23, 1834, Monroe County, Alabama.
Recorded on page 12, Wedding Book A, Monroe Co.

Capt. John Brown (I think, no proof yet) had a ~~sister~~ [illegible], Dinia b: Cir 1817, AL that married Thomas Hambrick. (Thomas, son of John & Catherine Hambrick)
Dina is the mother to our Elmira Sr. Hambrick married Joseph Luther Houston Sr.
Dina was mother to first 6 or so children, died, If I remember sometimes in 1840's. The mystery is where did she die. Can't find any trace in MS. Maybe AL ??

See William Laf. Brown Sr.

DIED IN MISS – He married again –

Probate of the Last Will & testament of John Hamrick
The State of Mississippi } To all and to whom these presents
Lauderdale County } May come now know ye that
I John Hamrick being in my proper mind and
Sences make this my last Will and testament Amen
1st I bequeath to my beloved son Thomas Hamrick
a Ceartain Negro Girl named Louse and
her two Children Sarah and Harriett
~~2nd I bequeath to my beloved son James Hamrick~~
a ceartain Negro boy named Wade
3rd I bequeath to my beloved son John Hamrick
a ceartain Negro boy named George
4th I bequeath to my beloved son Burrel Hamrick
two Negro boys named Munk & Nelson
5th I bequeath to my beloved daughter Martha Brown
a ceartain Negro Girl named Sarah and
her three children Elick Harriett and the
baby of the said Sarah name not known
6th I bequeath to my beloved daughter Emaline Hamrick
a ceartain Negro Girl named Dinnah
7th I bequeath to my beloved daughter Elmira a ceartain
Negro Girl named Chany
8th I bequeath to my beloved daughter Catharine
a ceartain Negro Girl named Ann
9th I bequeath to my Grand-daughter Catharine E Gunn
three hundred dollars to be paid out of my
estate after my death and delivered to her when
she becomes a married woman and
should she die before she becomes married
then the said three hundred dollars to be
equally divided with all my lawful heirs
10th I bequeath to my Grand daughter Amanda
J Hamrick the sum of three hundred dollars
to be paid out of my estate after my death
and delivered to her when she becomes a married
woman and should she die before she becomes
married then the said three hundred dollars
to be paid to her brother James Hamrick son
of John W Hamrick
11th I now after all my Just debts are paid the
remainder of my property to be equally divided
with all my lawful heirs, my wife Catharine
first having a sufficient portion to support
her during her natural life and then the
remainder to to revert to my children
Thomas Hamrick Martha Brown wife
of Wm Brown late of Lauderdale County decd
James Hamrick Emaline Hamrick John

Probate of the last Will & testament of John Hamrick Sr

Hamrick Jr & Burwell Hamrick

12th and I do appoint my two sons Thomas Hamrick and Burrel Hamrick my lawful executors in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 19th of January AD 1855

John Hamrick

Witness

James B McDonald

State of Mississippi }
Lauderdale County } I John R Collins a justice of the peace in and for said County do hereby certify that I saw John Hamrick sign the above Will and that he was in his propper mind and senses

Given under my hand and seal the 19 day of January AD 1855

John R Collins J P

Petition of Thos J & Burwell Hamrick Executors of J Hamrick decd

To the Hon Wm J Daniel Judge of the probate Court of the County of Lauderdale in the State of Mississippi

Respectfully represents the petition of Thos J Hamrick & Burrell Hamrick of said County that sometime during the month of September 185 John Hamrick late of said County departed this life leaving a last Will and testament duly signed published and attested as your petitioner believes and which he believes in pursuance of the Statute, herewith presents to your honor for probate That said will is subscribed by James B McDonald and John R Collins as witnesses to the signature and publication thereof all of whom as your petitioners know now reside in this County, that said testator in his said last will and testament nominated and appointed Burrell Hamrick Thomas J Hamrick your petitioners Executors thereof and this petition further shows that the said John Hamrick died seized and possessed of a real & personal Estate consisting of Land and negroes Stock and farming utensils & credits which said personal estate according to the best information which your petitioners has been able to obtain is worth about ten thousand Dollars your petitioners moved by a desire of[illegible]

Petition of Thos J & B J Hamrick Exctr of John Hamrick decd

and fulfilling the wishes of their said testator and that his said last Will and testament may in all things be executed according to the true & the intent and meaning thereof are willing to accept and undertake the office & trust confided to them. in consideration whereof your petitioners pray that the said James McDonald and John B Bolling subscribing witnesses as aforesaid may be summoned to be & appear before this Court

then and there to testify in the matter of said Will as it may please your honor to direct and that probate of said Will may be thereupon granted & the same thereupon ordered for Record and your petitioners further prays that it may please your honor to grant them letters testamentary of said last Will and testament on their taking the oath prescribed by Statute and entering into bond in such sum as your honor may direct for security whereof your petitioners are offer James B McDonald and H W Gillespie whom they believe ample & sufficient in the premises and that your honor will appoint

and appraisers to value and appraise the goods & chattels and personal estate of said testator and make such other orders as to your honor may seem meet and proper in the premises and your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray &c

B J Hamrick
T J Hamrick

Sworn to & subscribed before me. Sept 15 1856

J B Hancock (seal)
Justice of the peace

JOHN HAMRICK

Born: 1787, Georgia
Died: 1856, Lauderdale Co, Will recorded on pages 354 and 355, Probate Court Records,/ Book F
Married: Catherine ________, (b 1794, Ala or SC?)
Bought 200 acres land for $2500 from William & Martha Brown (his dau) on Dec. 7, 1836, Lauderdale Co, in Sections 23 and 24, Township 7, Range 15E.

Children: (Not in Order)

~~Next Thomas J. Hamrick 1814?? (1st wife may have been Sinia Brown of Monroe Co.~~
Wed. Lic. issued Nov. 1834)

James Hamrick
Children: James Jr.
Amanda T.

John W. Hamrick, Jr.

Oldest Martha Hamrick Brown 1812Ga-____, m. William H. Brown, Sr.
Children: 10 children

Burwell J. Hamrick 1834 Al. m. Elizabeth T. Barrett, 1853, Lauderdale Co.

Emaline Hamrick
Minor in 1856

Almira Hamrick 1845Ms?? (Amanda listed , 5 yrs, 1850 census)
Minor in 1856

[illegible] Hamrick Gunn
Children: Catherine E. Gunn.